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FM AMEMBASSY MANAMA BAHRAIN

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INFO AMEMBASSY ABU DHABI UAE

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SUBJECT : USE OF QATARI RIYAL IN BAHRAIN APPROVED

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1. AS SUGGESTED REFTEL, THE BAHRAIN MONETARY AGENCY (BMA) HAS ANNOUNCED

THAT AS OF SEPT. 1, LIMITED USE OF THE QATARI RIYAL HAS BEEN APPROVED.

UP TO BAHRAINI DINAR 500 OR QATARI RIYAL 5000 (EQUIVALENT TO APPROXIMATELY US \$1250) MAY NOW BE ACCEPTED IN THE LOCAL MARKET IN PAYMENT FOR LOCAL GOODS AND SERVICES.

2. IT WILL BE RECALLED (ABU DHABI 007 AND MANAMA 004) THAT THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES AND BAHRAIN INSTITUTED A SIMILAR ARRANGEMENT AS OF JANUARY OF THIS YEAR. ACCORDING TO THE BMA, THERE ARE NO CURRENT PLANS

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TO ACTIVELY PROMOTE CIRCULATION OF THE QATARI RIYAL, BY INCLUDING IT IN GOVERNMENT PAY PACKETS AS WAS DONE WITH THE UAE DIRHAM IN APRIL (MANAMA 585).

3. WE WOULD ANTICIPATE THAT THE ARRANGEMENT WITH QATAR WOULD BE RECIPROCAL, I.E., THAT THE BAHRAIN DINAR WILL CIRCULATE FREELY THERE, BUT THERE WAS NO SUCH STATEMENT IN THE BMA ANNOUNCEMENT.  
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